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**Meeting of the Interdepartmental Group
on Chemical and Biological Weapons Arms Control
October 12, 1982**

PRINCIPAL PARTICIPANTSState

PM - Jonathan T. Howe
(Chairman)
IO - Donald Toussaint

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Ambassador Fields
James George

OMB

Joe Campbell

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BGEN Elmer T. Brooks

DISCUSSION:

The IG met at 3:30 p.m. to: (1) receive a brief by Ambassador Fields on CW arms control activities in the Committee on Disarmament (CD); (2) discuss the results of recent consultations with the British and the Swedes in Stockholm concerning the meeting to strengthen the BWC; and (3) discuss the release of the latest U.S. submission to the UN and our update to the March 22 Report to Congress on CW use. In addition, the IG briefly discussed the status of the Working Group's study on CW verification which NSDD-18 directed the IG to prepare.

On CW arms control, following Ambassador Fields' brief on the state of play in the CD, it was agreed that in order for the United States to maintain its political advantage, the IG Working Group would be tasked to develop a detailed US CW arms control position. In this context, it was generally felt that consideration of the question of agreeing to CD negotiations on CW was premature at this time and that policy guidelines in this area set forth in NSDD-18, remained sufficient for the near term.

Concerning the BW strengthening, it was agreed in the near term to continue to support a Swedish initiative in seeking to convene a meeting of states parties.

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On CBW use, State briefed on the status of new evidence. It was agreed an update to the March 22 Report on CBW use would be most valuable if it were completed in time for impact on the UN First Committee session which concludes in early November.

The IG concluded its business for the day by briefly discussing CBW use collection activities, and adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

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